

STATE OF TENNESSEE

PROCLAMATION

BY THE GOVERNOR

WHEREAS, Tennessee's greenways and trails provide many benefits to the citizens of the State of Tennessee and its many visitors to experience the abundant and diverse natural environments such as forests, grassy meadows, farmlands, mountains, rivers and lakes; and

WHEREAS, Tennessee was settled due to the trails the early pioneers followed throughout the state; and

WHEREAS, Tennessee has many miles of hard and natural surfaced trails used for both recreation and transportation purposes; and

WHEREAS, Tennessee trails attract Tennesseans and visitors from all over the world, contributing to our state's tourism industry and its overall economic prosperity; and

WHEREAS, Tennessee trails enhance both the health and quality of life for everyone who walks on them and makes our state a truly great place to live; and

WHEREAS, Tennessee's citizens, volunteers, businesses and governments have made substantial progress in building and maintaining trail systems across the state of Tennessee as envisioned in the 2008 Tennessee Greenways and Trails Plan;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Phil Bredesen, Governor of the State of Tennessee, do hereby proclaim that June 5, 2010, as

TENNESSEE TRAILS DAY

in conjunction with the American Hiking Society's National Trails Day, and I encourage all citizens to experience the benefits of walking on a Tennessee Trail.



IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the official seal of the State of Tennessee to be affixed at Nashville on this 20th day of May, 2010.

Governor

Secretary of State